

JANUARY 8-9, 2022



# SAINT LEONARD CATHOLIC CHURCH

To love, serve & reach out to our parish family & the surrounding community by living and celebrating the life of Christ.

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

# BAPTISM

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc



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## MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY | 5:30 PM  
SUNDAY | 9:30 AM

## ST. LEONARD MASS ONLINE

Saturday | 5:30 PM  
Sunday | 9:30

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## WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 AM

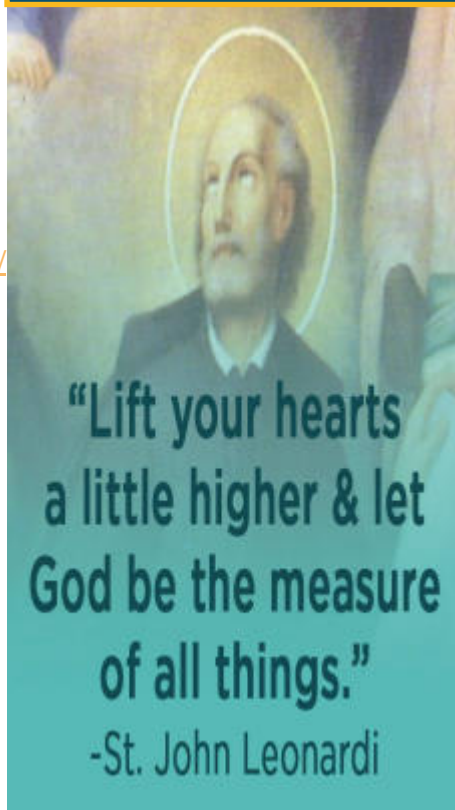
## COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday & Friday  
9:00 AM

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:45-5:15 PM

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"Lift your hearts a little higher & let God be the measure of all things."  
-St. John Leonardi

### Saturday January 8, 5:30 PM

Patrick Ney, Sch, S. J.+ -Eugene Ney Jr.

### Sunday January 9, 9:30 AM

Judge John A. Connor II+  
Jeffrey James Connor+  
- Nancy & Steve Connor

### Tuesday January 11, 9:00 AM

Norma Annarino+ -Vicki Annarino

### Wednesday December January 12, 9:00 AM

Communion Service

### Thursday January 13, 9:00 AM

Special Intention for the Doug Winbigler Family

### Friday January 14, 9:00 AM

Communion Service

### Saturday January 15, 5:30 PM

Susie Sherrard+ -Rosary High School, Class of 1957

### Sunday January 16, 9:30 AM

For our parish families



## **Pastor's Column – January 8-9, 2022 – Baptism of the Lord**

Dear fellow parishioners, we are in a new year and beginning the first season of Ordinary Time. I said last week that during the month of January, I am going to bring to you the Prefaces and Prayers particular to the *Eucharistic Prayers for Various Needs* of which there are four. I used them during Advent this past year they touched my heart and spirit. I hope the words may be a personal prayer for you as well. Last week, I gave *Prayer I*; today's is *II: God Guides His Church Along the Way of Salvation*.

*...[Y]ou never forsake the works of your wisdom, but by your providence are even now at work in our midst. With mighty hand and outstretched arm, you led your people Israel through the desert. Now, as your Church makes her pilgrim journey in the world, you always accompany her by the power of the Holy Spirit and lead her along the paths of time to the eternal joy of your Kingdom, through Christ our Lord.*

*(The Prayers of Consecration go here.)*

*And so, having called us to your table, Lord, confirm us in unity, so that, together with [Francis] our Pope and ... with ... [the whole Order of] Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and your entire people, as we walk your ways with faith and hope, we may strive to bring joy and trust into the world.*

These last couple of phrases I particularly feel we need to emphasize. There is a great lack of joy and trust in our country and world. I am reminded of "Ghostbusters II" and how the negative energy of New York created a negatively charged "slime" that "grew" in reaction to the negative energy growing in New York. The slime affected the people which created more negative energy... a literally vicious circle which caused even more devastation. To counter the slime the "heroes" developed a positive alternative to battle the negativity. But to completely defeat the slime and "rebirth of a demonic entity" attitudes of New Yorkers had to be united in positivity ... and Lady Liberty as the US statement of hope, was chosen and marched through the streets.

We have something better than the Statue of Liberty – Our Lord, Himself, present in the Eucharist in our very selves. We need to be *the* symbol by our attitudes, words and actions especially in this negatively charged time in the world and country's history. Let the Lord's influence bring about your positive alternative. Let peace find you. Let God in – even if you already have... He can still fill a whole lot more so you can bring joy and trust, like a "re-born Ebenezer Scrooge".

I ask that you keep me in prayer – I had to put my dog, Lilo, down this week. He had lost his quality of life and I couldn't let him continue to suffer, even silently. He was my very first dog and the first Preacher's Pup for me.

*Let us pray for each other this week as we begin our Ordinary Time. Know that you are in mine always.*

**Peace and blessings, Fr. Bill**

### Spaghetti Dinners are Back!

Please come to St. Leonard Thursday January 20th for a delicious spaghetti dinner from 4:30-7:00 pm. Please call Sonny DelMatto if you have any questions 727-320-3676.

### St. Vincent DePaul Responsive Grant Award

We were blessed this fall to receive a Responsive Grant award this year distributed by The Catholic Foundation. Our project, "St. Vincent de Paul Help for the Poor" was awarded \$6,000.00. We have been using the funds to help support the generous donations of our parish to help the poor of our area. As rising costs, such as rent and utilities and a greater use of motels to house the homeless, we at St. Leonard SVDP rely more on funds such as these to meet our needs. This has been especially helpful during the Covid-19 pandemic, as people struggle to make ends meet.

We are grateful to the donors who contribute to The Catholic Foundation that make these grants possible. Anyone can contribute at any time to the funds for our ministries or for those used for the grant process.

The Catholic Foundation is a non-profit autonomous organization that receives and manages assets to provide funding for the parishes, schools, and ministries within our Catholic community. We are continually blessed by the support of our parishes. By connecting the financial gifts of our donors with ministries within St. Leonard Church, we can help touch the lives of the poor and hungry, the homeless, the imprisoned, those wanting to learn, wanting to be healed, and those wanting to live a life in Jesus Christ.

If you would like more information on contributing to existing funds that support our ministries, or would like to work on a planned gift of your own, please contact Dan Kurth ([dkurth@catholic-foundation.org](mailto:dkurth@catholic-foundation.org)) at The Catholic Foundation, 614-443-8893.

Sons of Italy monthly spaghetti dinner will be held on Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. Due to the uptick of Covid cases in the county we will be doing carry out orders only. Spaghetti, 2 meatballs, salad, bread and cookies for \$8.00- adults and \$7.00 for students ages 6-12.

Orders can be placed by calling 349-3269 starting at noon on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Walk ins are also welcomed . We hope to return to inside dining in February.

Sons of Italy Lodge, 607 McKinley Ave, 740 349-3269

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**WEEK: \$4,100.00**



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**Bulletin Submissions:**  
*Please send information and submissions to be included in the St. Leonard's Bulletin by Tuesday of each week.*

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**740 522-5270**

## Pray for St. Leonard Parishioners

Joe Beckman; Mary Beckman; Kim Boring; Rick Branscome; Nancy Buchanan; Ann Cooperrider; Anna & John Cooperrider; Steve Connor; Walter Crowe; Bonnie Del Matto; Jo Ann Brunton; Doug Gill; Dale Grigsby, Gary & Teresa Grigsby; Sissy Goodin; Marc Guthrie, Linda Hammond, George Jackson; Jane King; Carol Luciotti; Philip Miller; Suzanne Neumeyer; Robert Neumeyer; John Niggemeyer; Mollie Overbey; Roy Phillips; Beth Prichard; Jason Reed; Cindy Riesbeck; Charles Ritchey, Jean Rosengarten; Bill Scholl; Bonnie Selby; Benjamin Sheets; Greg Wade; Leslie Waldren; Carol Watercutter; Kathy Wildermuth; Nancy Willey.

**Please pray for all priests.**

**Please pray for the St. Leonard Parish.**

**Please pray for our country and all elected officials.**

**Prayers for all those having cancer treatments.**

**Prayers for all those recovering from Covid.**

**Prayers to Jim Reef in healing and wellness.**

## Pray for Our Family and Friends

The Allen Family: Kay Baker; Sr. Sharon Baldy; Sharon Baumer; Marilyn Booze; Karen Burns; Jane Butts; Bruce Campbell; David and Judy Christopher; Anne Callen; Jeffery J. Connor; Debra Daugherty; Sam DeMatteo; Beverley & Pat Goodin; Julie Goss; Steven Gress; Colton Phillips-Huffman; Ken Justice Family; Jan King; Jill Moore; Rose Murnane; Jacque Murphy; Darlene Pound; Amy Reed; Eric, Ashley & Tristan Riesbeck; Judy Richards; Holly Samuels; Marie Smith; Jennifer Staten; Bishop Daniel Thomas; Jane Walters; David Walton; Malcom White; Roxanne Wilson; Roger Wimer.



### Pray for our Military Families

**SrA. Therin Brown, USAF**

**Pvt. Kaleb Hoffer, USMC**

**Evan Andrew Hammond,**  
US Navy

**Aidan Healy** US Navy

**Sgt. Matthew Mills, USMC**

**Sgt. Donald R. Hoffer II,**  
US Army

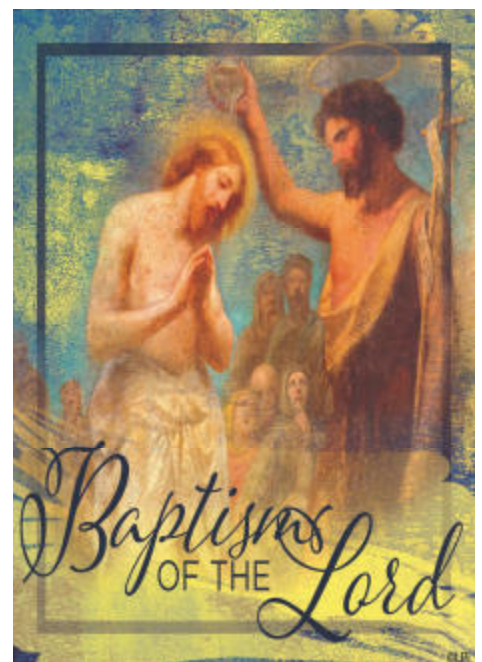
**Pvt. Andre Manning,**  
US Army

**Kaitlin Hanks, US Navy**

**Lila Schenk** US Air Force

**Hannah Watercutter,**  
USMC

**Zack Watercutter,**  
US Army



## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### FIRST READING:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together;  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

### PSALM:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

### SECOND READING:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth  
and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

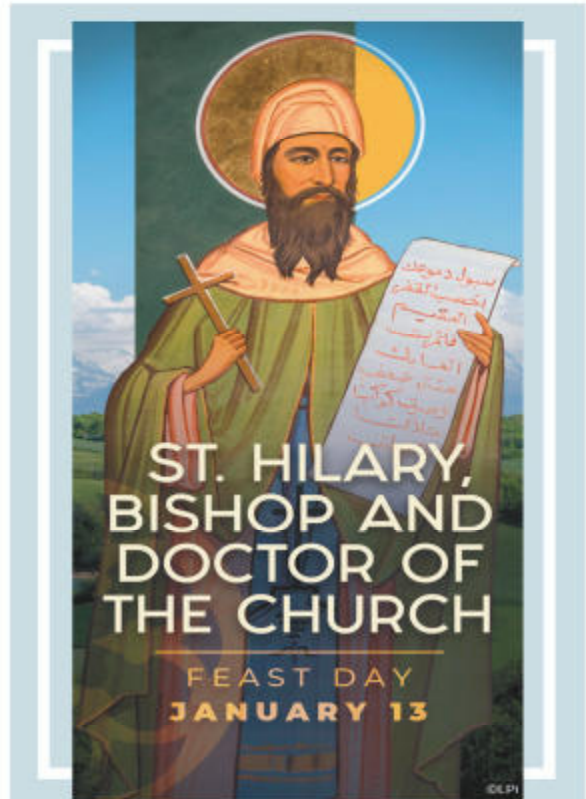
### GOSPEL:

After all the people had been baptized  
and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying,  
heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended  
upon him  
in bodily form like a dove. (Lk 3:22)

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### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

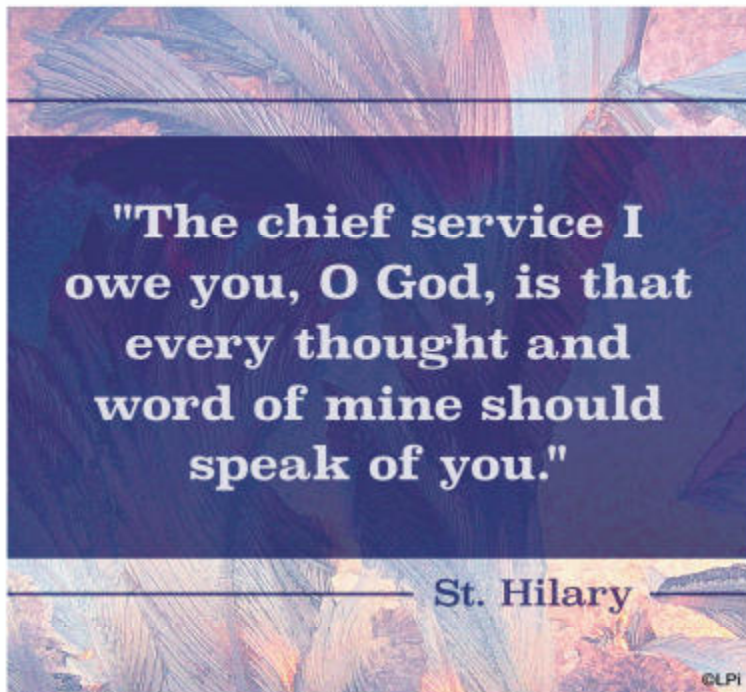
- Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
- Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the Week

Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ's divinity. From Phrygia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.



# BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## ST. LEONARD CONTACT INFORMATION

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Father William Hritsko  
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**Housekeeper:** Elizabeth Orend  
**Maintenance:** Sonny Del Matto  
**Custodian:** Fred Orend

**St. Leonard Parish Office:** 740-522-5270  
**E-mail:** parish@stleonard-heath.com  
**Sacramental Emergency:** 740-323-6437  
**St. Vincent de Paul Help:** 740-877-8242  
**Social Hall:** 740-522-4988

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday at noon  
**Parish Office Hours:** Monday –Thursday. 9am – 3pm  
 Friday 9-12pm



## ST. LEONARD SANCTUARY

**Special Thanks from the Josephinum Sem-**  
**inarians.** The Knox/Licking Vocational Club would like you to know the snacks for the Josephinum Seminarians were delivered. The Seminarians wanted me to express their sincere thank you for your outpouring of love during the stressful exam time. Please keep them in your prayers throughout the year. We have one young man from our Knox/Licking Vicariate attending classes at the Josephinum. A St. Francis de Sales parishioner and Newark Catholic graduate, Jake Asuncion. I'm sure Jake would be happy to receive a Christmas Card with a note from you, letting him know you are praying for his vocation! Please feel free to send him a note or card.

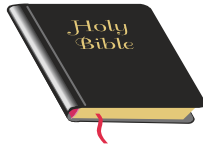
**CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON CLUB – FRI-**  
**DAY FEBRUARY 4, 2022.** The 2022 Catholic Man of the Year will be honored at the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club on Friday, February 4, 2022. Please join us Friday, February 4 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for lunch where we will honor the 2022 Catholic Man of the Year. As yet, there is no sponsor for the February luncheon. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon please contact Jim Gernetzke at [jimgernetzke@noslumine.com](mailto:jimgernetzke@noslumine.com). Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 am followed by lunch at 12:10 pm and the celebration of the 2022 Catholic Man of the Year. Free parking available in the Columbus State Grant Avenue parking lot (25-S) across the street from St. Patrick. No reservations are necessary. \$10 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! For information on Catholic Men's Luncheon Club, visit [www.catholicmensministry.com/cmlc](http://www.catholicmensministry.com/cmlc). Our next luncheon is March 4, 2022 where Father Stash Dailey will return and present his series for the next four luncheons entitled "RE-BUILDING A CHRISTIAN CULTURE." Fr. Dailey will represent part one of the series "St Joseph: Model of Penance and Discipline" at the March 4, 2022 luncheon.



**The St. Leonard Knights of Columbus Council 12641** will have their meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the St. Leonard social hall. Please consider becoming a new member. If you need more information, contact Bill Gress Grand Knight [bill.gress@yahoo.com](mailto:bill.gress@yahoo.com) and Glenn Wirth Deputy Grand Knight [gwirth@roadrunner.com](mailto:gwirth@roadrunner.com)

## 2022 CALENDAR /LAY MINISTERS & VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

- Monday**    **7:00 pm**    **AA Meeting-All Mondays**
- Tuesday**    **5:30 pm**    **St. Vincent DePaul-3rd Tuesday**  
                   **6:00 pm**    **Heart of Ohio Quilters-3rd Tuesday**
- Wednesday**    **7:00 pm**    **St. Leonard Knights of Columbus-2nd Wednesday**
- Thursday**    **7:00pm**    **Focolare**  
                   **7:00 pm**    **Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus- 4th Thursday**
- Thursday**    **11:00 a.m.-Social Hall St. Leonard Women's Guild -2nd Thursday**
- Friday**    **9:30 am - 2:30 pm**    **Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction-**  
                   *Eucharistic Adoration, First Friday of the month, after the 9:00 am Communion Service.*  
                   *Benediction at 2:30 pm. Volunteers Needed. We could use 2 or 3 more people, especially in the*  
                   *afternoon. Please call Jan Smith 740-522-7990 or Pattie Herr 740-334-3610.*  
                   ***Come and pray with our Lord.***



### MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### January 8-9, 2022

- Ushers:** Frank Flynn, Bill Gress, Gene Hill
- Lectors:**            Dee Jones  
                               Terri Jackson
- Altar Servers:** Maryann Chisek  
                               Carlos Chaney, Andrea Chaney
- EMHC:**            Nello Allori, Ron Jones  
                               Bonnie Kinney
- Cantors:**            Diane Reef  
                               Don Riesbeck
- Videographers:** Dan Cartwright/Netti Nau
- Money Counters:** Rita Kelly, Terri Larkins
- Dusters:**            Greg & Gini Johnson



### MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### January 15-16, 2022

- Ushers:** Frank Flynn, Bill Gress, Gene Hill
- Lectors:**            Mary Gillespie  
                               Bonnie Kinney
- Altar Servers:** Bob Adams  
                               John LaBelle
- EMHC:**            Deacon Larry  
                               Deacon Larry/Terri Jackson
- Cantors:**            Diane Reef  
                               Jill Watson
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